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TAGS: SHUM, W
SUBJECT: ARREST OF CHIN CHEN-TSENG (TSENG CH'ENG-CHIN 2582/2052/6855)

REF: STATE 097045

1. MISSION CONTACTS IN THE LOCAL WATCH INDUSTRY SAY THAT
TSENG HAS BEEN DETAINED BY GROC SECURITY SINCE DECEMBER 1976,
PROBABLY ON THE BASIS OF HIS ALLEGED ASSOCIATION WITH TIM
ELEMENTS IN TOKYO IN MID-1976. HOWEVER, THE SAME SOURCES
SPECULATE THAT TSENG, A FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE TAIPEI
WATCH AND CLOCK DEALERS ASSOCIATION, HAS NOT RECENTLY BEEN
ACTIVELY INVOLVED WITH TIM, AND THAT THE GROC MAY BE ACTING
ON OLDER EVIDENCE THAT TSENG JOINED THE TIM SOMETIME DURING
THE 1950'S WHEN HE WAS A DISGRUNTLED POLICEMAN IN KEELUNG
ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN SMUGGLING WATCHES FROM HONG KONG.
WE UNDERSTAND THAT TSENG HAS A DAUGHTER IN THE US WHO HAS WRITTEN
TO PREMIER CHIANG IN HER FATHER'S BEHALF.

2. WE HAVE ASKED MOFA TO PROVIDE US WITH ANY INFORMATION
ON THE CASE THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN AND WILL
FORWARD THIS TO THE DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS IT BECOMES
AVAILABLE.
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